

EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA RANGOON ANNOUNCEMENT

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT: 07-12

OPEN TO: All Interested Candidates

POSITION: Political Specialist

OPENING DATE: June 12, 2007

CLOSING DATE: June 26, 2007

WORK HOURS: Full-time; 40 hours/week

GRADE LEVEL: Not-Ordinarily Resident: FP-4
(To be confirmed by Washington)

Ordinarily Resident: FSN-11

NOTE: ALL ORDINARILY RESIDENT APPLICANTS MUST BE RESIDING IN COUNTRY AND HAVE THE REQUIRED WORK AND/OR RESIDENCY PERMITS TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR CONSIDERATION.

The U.S. Embassy in Rangoon is seeking an individual for the position of Political Specialist in the Political and Economic Section.

BASIC FUNCTION OF POSITION

The Political Specialist is the senior specialist in the Political/Economic Section and plays a leading role in assisting Embassy officers in reporting and analysis of political and economic developments in Burma. The employee facilitates access, makes introductions, and arranges representational functions involving host country and other officials both in Rangoon and on field trips. The employee acts as interpreter and translator, develops biographic and general background information, and provides assessments on narcotics matters. The employee collaborates closely with an Economic Specialist and a Political/Economic Assistant.

QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED

NOTE: All applicants must address each selection criterion detailed below with specific and comprehensive information supporting each item.

University degree in Political Science, International Relations, History or International Law. Minimum five years of progressively responsible experience in social science research, and/or in the field of politics or newspaper reporting of political matters. Level IV (Fluent) Speaking/Reading in English and Burmese is required. Thorough knowledge of Burmese political institutions and history. Must possess the ability to maintain extensive range of high-level Burmese contacts and interpret political developments, to plan, organize and execute research projects and prepare detailed and accurate factual and analytical reports. Familiarity with the use of computer software applications.

SELECTION PROCESS

When equally qualified, Eligible Family Members and U.S. Veterans will be given preference. Therefore, it is essential that the candidate address the required qualifications above in the application.

SELECTION CRITERIA

1. Management will consider nepotism/conflict of interest, budget, and residency status in determining successful candidacy.
2. Current employees serving a probationary period are not eligible to apply.
3. EFMs who currently hold a FMA appointment are ineligible to apply for advertised positions within the first 90 calendar days of that appointment.

ADDITIONAL SELECTION CRITERIA

- Please cite above vacancy announcement number.
- Mails/envelopes without return/sender's address on it will be disqualified.
- Please mention clearly any relative employed by the U.S. government. A false statement in this regard is cause for disqualification.
- Selection will be made on the basis of physical fitness, education, experience, and suitability for the job.
- Potential applicants will be called for personal interviews.

TO APPLY

Interested applicants for this position must submit the following:

1. Application for U.S. Federal Employment (SF-171 or OF-612); or
2. A current resume or curriculum vitae that provides the same information as an OF-612; plus
3. Any other documentation (e.g., essays, certificates, awards, copies of degrees earned) that addresses position qualification requirements listed above.

SUBMIT APPLICATION TO

Human Resources Office
U.S. Embassy
581 Merchant Street, Yangon (or)
Send by e-mail to HRORangoon@state.gov

DEFINITIONS

1. EFM: US Citizen spouse or US citizen child as referred to in 6 FAM 111.3, paragraph R, (1) who is at least age 18, and who, in either case, is on the travel orders of a US citizen Foreign or Civil service employee or military service member permanently assigned to or stationed at a US Foreign Service post or establishment abroad and under Chief of Mission authority.
2. Family Member (FM): Foreign born spouses, dependent children, unmarried partners of the same and opposite sex, parents, other relatives or adult children declared to the Chief of Mission who fall outside the Department's current legal and statutory definition of EFM.
3. Ordinarily Resident (OR): A citizen of the host country or a citizen of another country who has shifted the main residency focus to the host country and has the required work and/or residency permit for employment in country.
4. Not-Ordinarily Resident (NOR): Typically NORs are US citizen EFMs and family members of FS, GS, and Military Personnel who are on the travel orders and under Chief of Mission authority, or other personnel having diplomatic privileges and immunities.

CLOSING DATE FOR THIS POSITION: JUNE 26, 2007

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